

**Town of Bar Harbor Water Division
Legal Notice**

The Bar Harbor Water Division gives notice to the public that on **Tuesday, October 3, 2006 @ 7:00 p.m. at** the Council Chambers, the Town Councilors of the Town of Bar Harbor will hold a public hearing to discuss and hear comments on a proposed water rate increase.

An increase in total revenues of \$159,493 or 16.9% is proposed. Estimated increases by customer classifications are listed below. Individual customer increases will vary according to usage.

Residential	\$52,812	19.4%
Commercial	51,584	19.4%
Industrial	11,640	19.4%
Public Authorities	5,838	19.4%
Public Fire Protection	28,522	10.6%
Private Fire Protection	9,096	19.4%

Rates are to become effective on January 1, 2007. The last adjustment in rates was in 2004.

Pursuant to 35-A MRSA Section (6104), a customer has the right to request additional information relating to the present and proposed rates from the Water Division, the right to an open and fair hearing, and the right to assistance from the Public Advocate. Customers also have the right under 35-A MRSA Section (6104) to petition the Maine Public Utilities Commission to suspend and investigate the Division's rates pursuant to 35-A MRSA Section 310, if, on or before November 2, 2006, 260 of the Division's customers (15% of customers or 1000 customers, whichever is less) file with the Town Treasurer, Bar Harbor, ME and with the Public Utilities Commission, c/o Administrative Director, State House Station #18, Augusta, ME 04333-0018, a petition or petitions demanding review by the PUC of the proposed rate changes. Signatures on the petitions filed pursuant to Section 7 are invalid unless accompanied by the printed names and addresses of the signers. Upon request the Water Division will provide customers with petition forms that include space for the signatures and the printed names and addresses of the signers.

A copy of material supporting the proposed rate changes will be available at the Bar Harbor Town Offices, 93 Cottage Street, for inspection on and after **September 1, 2006**. If you have any questions or desire additional information, you may call Treasurer Stan Harmon at (207) 288-5096 or the Administrative Director of the PUC at (207)-287-3831. For additional assistance, contact the Public Advocate, State House Station #112, Augusta, ME 04333-0112, (207)-287-2445.

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